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The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
500 West Temple Street  
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**RESOLUTION INITIATING PROCEEDINGS FOR ANNEXATION OF TERRITORIES  
TO COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1, PALMDALE ZONE B,  
VARIOUS PROJECTS, CITY OF PALMDALE  
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5  
3 VOTES**

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:**

1. Adopt the enclosed Resolution Initiating Proceedings for the Annexation of Territories, whose boundaries are shown on maps enclosed herein, to County Lighting District LLA-1, Palmdale Zone B.
2. Authorize Public Works to prepare and file an Engineer's Report.

**PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

These recommended actions are for your Board to initiate proceedings for the annexation of territories into County Lighting District LLA-1, Palmdale Zone B, and authorize the preparation and filing of an Engineer's Report, pursuant to the provisions of the California Streets and Highways Code.

Street lights located within the proposed annexation areas, lying within the City of Palmdale, are currently being administered by the unincorporated County Lighting Districts, County Lighting Maintenance District 1687 and County Lighting District LLA-1, Unincorporated Zone. While the Los Angeles County Local Agency Formation Commission previously approved and issued a Certificate of Completion for a City Boundary Change for the annexation of unincorporated County territories, designated as Annexations 1985-44, 1989-08, 1991-01, 1991-02, 1991-03, 1991-06, 1991-07, 1991-08, 1991-11, and 1991-01, to the City of Palmdale, these City annexations did not result in the transfer of these areas from the unincorporated County Lighting Districts to the County-administered Lighting Districts serving the City of Palmdale. Action is now needed to formally withdraw these territories from the Unincorporated County Lighting Districts and annex the territories to the Palmdale Lighting Districts, County Lighting Maintenance District 1616B and County Lighting District LLA-1, Palmdale Zone B.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

This action is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Fiscal Responsibility as the annexation of territories to the Palmdale Lighting Districts will result in the proper collection of ad valorem property tax and assessment revenue from property owners, whose parcels are benefitted by the street lights, to meet the operational expenses of the existing street lights in these areas. It also satisfies the Goal of Service Excellence since maintaining street lighting services provides for the convenience and safety of the motoring public, as well as for the safety and security of people and property, which improves the quality of life in the County and the City of Palmdale.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The transfer of Lighting District jurisdiction will result in the operational expenses of existing street lights in these areas being transferred from the unincorporated County Lighting Districts' account to the Palmdale Lighting Districts' account. Ad valorem property tax and assessment revenue collected from benefitted property owners within these territories will be the funding source for the operational expenses of the street lights. Supplemental funding may be required initially until full funding is established by increased assessments.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

These proceedings are governed by the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972 (Section 22500 et seq. of the California Streets and Highways Code). Public Works will prepare an Engineer's Report that complies with Section 22565 et seq. of the California Streets and Highways Code and Article XIID, Section 4(b), of the California Constitution. After your Board approves the Resolution Initiating Proceedings for the Annexation of

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Territories to County Lighting District LLA-1, Palmdale Zone B, a separate Resolution of Intention to Annex Territories to County Lighting Maintenance District 1616B and County Lighting District LLA-1, Palmdale Zone B, and the Engineer's Report, will be submitted for your Board's consideration and adoption at a later date.

The Resolution Initiating Proceedings to Annex Territories to County Lighting District LLA-1, Palmdale Zone B, has been approved as to form by County Counsel.

**IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Not applicable.

**CONCLUSION**

At such time as these recommendations may be approved by your Board, please return one approved copy of this letter and the signed Resolution to Public Works and one approved copy of the letter to the County Assessor, Ownership Services Section, and Auditor-Controller, Tax Section.

Respectfully submitted,

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Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office  
County Counsel

**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES  
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
RESOLUTION INITIATING PROCEEDINGS  
FOR THE ANNEXATION OF TERRITORIES  
TO COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LLA-1, PALMDALE ZONE B,  
PURSUANT TO THE LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING ACT OF 1972  
VARIOUS PROJECTS**

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles County Local Agency Formation Commission has previously approved and issued a Certificate of Completion for a City Boundary Change for the annexation of unincorporated County territories, designated as Annexations 1985-44, 1989-08, 1991-01, 1991-02, 1991-03, 1991-06, 1991-07, 1991-08, 1991-11, and 1991-01 to the City of Palmdale; and

WHEREAS, the boundaries of a portion of the Unincorporated County Lighting Districts, County Lighting Maintenance District 1687 and County Lighting District LLA-1, Unincorporated Zone, are located within these incorporated territories; and

WHEREAS, the Board finds that those areas of the Unincorporated County Lighting Districts located within the City of Palmdale will benefit and be better served by the detachment from County Lighting District LLA-1, Unincorporated Zone, and annexation to County Lighting District LLA-1, Palmdale Zone B.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, this Board proposes to initiate proceedings for the annexation of the areas designated by the enclosed maps to County Lighting District LLA-1, Palmdale Zone B, to provide for the operation and maintenance of street lights located therein, in accordance with the provisions of the Landscaping and Lighting Act of 1972.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Public Works is hereby authorized to prepare and file an Engineer's Report in accordance with Section 22565 of the Streets and Highways Code and Article XIID of the California Constitution.

The foregoing Resolution was on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2003, adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex-officio of the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies, and authorities for which said Board so acts.

VIOLET VARONA-LUKENS  
Executive Officer of the  
Board of Supervisors of the  
County of Los Angeles

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

LLOYD W. PELLMAN  
County Counsel

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy